Representations re: Opening of Sidha Vaidya Pharmacy.

36. ✻ **MR. E. P. VARGHESE** (*Ambalapuzha* cum *Sherta'a*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether representations have been received from the people of South Travancore for the opening of Sidha Vaidya Pharmacy, School and Hospital?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: Yes.

Memorandum from the Indian Planters' Association.

37. ✻ **MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI** (*Minachil* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received a memorandum from the Indian Planters Association regarding the unrestricted import of Burma Rubber into India; and

(*b*) if so, whether the matter has been investigated into and what is the result thereof?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN: (*a*) A memorandum from the Indian Planters' Association of Kerala was received.

(*b*) The matter has been referred to the Government of India.

State Transport Service.

38. ✻**MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Motor Vehicles Regulation and the rules framed thereunder apply to the buses of the Transport Department;

(*b*) whether the said buses observe the rules regarding speed limits as indicated by caution boards; and

(*c*) whether any rules regarding luggage have been issued for the information of the public?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: (*a*) The Motor Vehicles Regulation and the Rules thereunder are generally applicable to the State Transport Buses.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes. The rules have been embodied in the Fare Table which has been published for the information of the public.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*): May I ask whether the Motor Vehicles Regulation and the rules thereunder are only *generally* applicable to the State Transport buses?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: Since it is a Government concern, some of the provisions of the Motor Vehicles Regulation and rules thereunder cannot apply to the Transport buses; steps are bing taken to amend the present rules.

MR. M. G. MATTHEW (*Karunagapalli* cum *Karthikapalli*): May I know in what respects the present rules cannot be applied to the State Transport Service?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: I may cite one instance. In regard to the licensing of conductors and drivers, so far as the State Transport Service is concerned, the Government have ordered that the Transport Superintendent himself may issue the licenses. That is a deviation

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from the Motor Vehicles Regulation and rules. There are also other provisions.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: May I ask whether, in matters where the Regulation does not apply, the Transport Superintendent has been vested with the necessary powers?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: I have already seated, Sir, that steps are being taken to amend the rules consistent with the Government orders on the Transport Scheme.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORATHARAKAN: ൟസ് പ്രെയിം ചെയ്താൽ അതിനു ഉംപ്പെട്ടിരിക്കുന്നതല്ലേ ഗവൺമെൻറിൻറെ ഉമതല.

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: Certainly, Government are anxious to see that their rules are adhered to.

MR. K. T. THOMAS: May I ask whether there is any speed limit for the Transport buses?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: The Transport Superintendent has issued instructions to his subordinates to adhere to the speed limit prescribed in the Motor Vehicles Regulation.

MR. K. T. THOMAS: Are the Government aware that, very often, the Transport buses are run at 50 or 40 miles per hour?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: Government are not aware.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether the subordinates have been asked to observe strictly the rules regarding luggage?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: All rules are certainly intended to be observed.

Temporary sheds for buses in Trivandrum.

39. *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORATHARAKAN: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether tenders were invited for putting up temporary shed at Trivandrum for keeping the motor buses for use in connection with the Transport Scheme;

(*b*) if so, to whom the said contract was given and the conditions thereof; and

(*c*) whether the person to whom the contract was given had submitted any tender and, if so, the amount of the tender?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Mr. P. I. Gopalan Nair on condition that the work should be completed before 27-12-37.

(*c*) Yes, Rs. 3024.

Income derived from State Transport Service.

40. *MR. M. K. MACKAR PILLAI (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the actual amount of income derived from the State Transport Service during each of the months of Kumbham, Meenam, Medam and Edavam 1113; and

(*b*) the actual amount of expenditure incurred during each of the above months?

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